

Shortage of water in Delhi

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Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that all the citizens in Delhi are not getting water as per their needs;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government are also aware that due to shortage of water, the condition of public toilets remains filthy and as a result various diseases take place; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by Government to resolve the issue?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI AJAY MAKEN): (a) and (b) The Delhi Jal Board (DJB) has informed that currently 720 MGD is available. The quantity will further improve to 810 MGD with Sonia Vihar Water Treatment Plant getting full quantity of raw water. Which would mean 225.60 lpcd (litres per capita per day). CPHEEO norms for mega cities sets up a target of 172 lpcd which includes 15% as distribution losses.

To further enhance the availability of water, many initiatives like recycling of waste water at Water Treatment Plants, lining of carrier channel etc. have been taken.

To ensure better delivery of water to the citizens, rationalization of distribution, containment of leakages etc. are also being taken.

(c) and (d) New Delhi Municipal Council (NDMC) has reported that there is intermittent supply of water in the public toilets but all efforts are made to keep them clean so that it does not lead to any diseases.

Municipal Corporation of Delhi (MCD) has reported that it has been making all out efforts to get the desired quantity of water from the resources created by it, i.e. tubewells/borewells, private tankers etc. for washing of public toilets existing under its jurisdiction in various parts of the city.

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